Lawrence Mantooth, Sooner wrestling captain in 1930, was selected by Coach Paul Keen as the best all-around matman to perform for the Oklahomans during the past six years. Mantooth, who is now engaged in business at Purcell, was national champion in the 126-pound class in 1929 and again in 1930.

Keen Selects All-Time Matmen

BY HAROLD KEITH, '28journ.

Naming Lawrence Mantooth, of Purcell, Sooner wrestler and twice national champion of 1929 and 1930, as greatest wrestler he ever has coached, Paul V. Keen, University of Oklahoma wrestling coach, then went on to select all-time Sooner wrestling team for the six-year period he has coached here.

"Marvin 'Kid' Leach, of Sand Springs, for my 118-pounder. Leach was fast, an excellent trainer and always in great condition. He had a good general knowledge of wrestling and was a good student. He was beat out of a national championship by bad luck, defeating Bobby Pearce, Oklahoma Aggie, in the semi-finals but pulling his elbow out of place and being obliged to forfeit the final match.

"Mantooth at 126 pounds. Mantooth's chief stock in trade was his sensational development of the switch as an escape. It was impossible for an opponent to hold Mantooth down longer than thirty or forty seconds. He had long arms that made him an effective rider. Mantooth was very cautious, seldom trying for a fall or caring for one. He preferred to win by a decision rather than take a chance.

"Best 135-pounder was Leo Miller of Blackwell. Best leg-wrestler and scissor artist I ever had. Took scissor and half nelson his best hold. A hard luck wrestler in that he had a broken rib and a cracked shoulder in two of three of the national tournaments he was eligible to attend.

"Hardie Lewis, of Duncan, for the 145-pound class. Strongest man for his weight I ever had. His short legs made it impossible for anybody to ride him. By pure speed he could ride a man without using any particular hold. Greatest defensive wrestler I ever developed. Won two national championships.

"Warren Gunter of Elk City, my choice for the 155-pound weight, was the fastest man on his feet we've ever had and consequently could get behind his opponent often. Also he had an excellent knowledge of escapes and was a good rider.

"Elton Eubanks of Devol would be my pick of the 165-pounders. Eubanks was very unorthodox and when an opponent would attack, Eubanks would always do the unexpected. He was an exceptionally strong loose rider, not having any particular hold but balancing himself so loosely and cleverly while atop an opponent that the opponent couldn't get up. He was weak on escaping but once on the offense was a cocker.

"Phil Berry, of Tulsa, my 175-pound choice, was the cleverest wrestler I ever saw. He would pull clever stunts at the most unexpected times. Berry was able to use his feet from a standing position and knock an opponent's feet out from under him. He invariably discouraged an opponent in the first 30 seconds of the bout. Two of the fastest falls my boys ever made were scored by Berry. The single-arm drag was his best hold. I regard him the greatest offensive wrestler I ever coached.

"Ellis Bashara, of Norman, for the unlimited class. His barrel-chested build makes it almost impossible for an opponent to get hold of him. Also, when once behind an opponent, he uses his strength to good advantage."

Keen declared in his opinion two Sooner wrestlers of the era before he came to Norman as coach should be on the all-time team. One was Bob Cooke of Norman, the old 158-pounder of 1926. The other was "Firpo" Wilcox of Tulsa, 205-pound heavyweight of 1923 who later made good as a 'pro.'

But here is the lineup for the past six years:

118 pounds—Marvin "Kid" Leach, Sand Springs.
126 pounds—Lawrence Mantooth, Purcell.
135 pounds—Leo Miller, Blackwell.
145 pounds—Hardie Lewis, Duncan.
155 pounds—Warren Gunter, Elk City.
165 pounds—Elton Eubanks, Devol.
175 pounds—Phil Berry, Tulsa.
Unlimited—Ellis Bashara, Norman.

Matmen Open Season with 34 to 0 Win

The Sooner wrestling team took its first match of the season by winning five falls and three decisions in eight bouts against Northeastern State Teachers college of Alva. The score was Oklahoma 34, Alva 0.

With the two Aggie matches and the Big Six tournament as features of the schedule, Coach Paul Keen's team has the potentialities to become a threat for the conference title and do the next to impossible, beat the nationally recognized masters of the mat art, the Oklahoma Aggies.

Basketball Team Off to Good Start

Winning their first four basketball games of the season by large margins, Coach Hugh McDermott's speedy Sooners were away to a flying start but were anticipating trouble along the Rocky way that leads toward a Big Six pennant.

Although Coach McDermott is starting his thirteenth year as Sooner coach, none of the bad luck that is
contributed to that unpopular number which has proved of some advantage to theOklahomans. When the McDermott men take to the road they expect to find the going a little rougher, especially at Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska.

The leading scorers for Oklahoma in the first games follow:

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